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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Sir:

The captioned application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. However, on July 18, 2007 a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers was issued for the captioned application. More particularly, the Notice indicated that the application contained drawing deficiencies with regards to Figs. 3 and 4.

Upon review of Figs. 3 and 4 applicants could detect no error in the figures. Accordingly, on August 13, 2007, applicants had a teleconference with Nadine Clark at the US App. No. 09/631,339 Response to 7/18/07 Notice

Office of Patent Publication of the US Patent and Trademark Office to request a clarification of the objection to Figs. 3 and 4. During that conversation Ms. Clark indicated that Figs. 3 and 4 appeared to have lead lines that were not labeled with a reference line. The undersigned attorney noted that element 35 (a thermal coupler sensor) and element 31 (a heating coil) were drawn with electrical wire(s) extending away from the respective elements. Ms. Clark confirmed that the indicated wire(s) leading away from elements 31 and 35 are what she believed represented unlabeled lead lines. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that Figs. 3 and 4 currently of record do not contain unlabeled lead lines, and thus the drawings currently on file are free of any defects.

Applicants respectfully request acceptance of the current set of drawings and passage of the application to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Notice of Allowance Mailed

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 60 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. If the informality pertains to the abstract, specification (including claims) or drawings, the informality must be corrected with an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 (or, if the application is a reissue application, 37 CFR 1.173). Such an amendment may be filed after payment of the issue fee if limited to correction of informalities noted herein. See Waiver of 37 CFR 1.312 for Documents Required by the Office of Patent Publication, 1280 Off. Gaz. Patent Office 918 (March 23, 2004). In addition, if the informality is not corrected until after payment of the issue fee, for purposes of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(iv), "all outstanding requirements" will be considered to have been satisfied when the informality has been corrected. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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	The illustration is penetrated or traversed by a solid or broken line that is not intended to be part of the drawing, such as a dark line caused by a flaw in the copying process. FIG(s)		
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<u> </u>	The drawing is solid black box or marred by black smudges, obliterations, or fax/copier marks. FIG(s)		
	Figure number is duplicated/missing. Drawing sheet is missing. FIG(s).		
	Numbers, letters, or reference characters in the drawing have been crossed out by hand and are illegibly handwritten. FIG(s)		
<u>.</u>	The drawing's background shows that the original drawing was made on graph paper or other paper with a pattern or decoration. FIG(s)		
	The FIG. number label is placed in a location that causes the drawing to be read upside down. FIG(s)		
Ø	Missing data, part of the drawing is cut off, lead line no reference number FIG(s) 3 4 4		
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	The drawing and/or the FIG. label contain(s) foreign language. FIG(s)		
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